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EB Docket No. 05-232

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**BEFORE:** 

ARTHUR I. STEINBERG
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#### I-N-D-E-X

Exhibit No	. <u>Description</u>	<u>Mark</u> <u>Re</u>	<u>cd</u>
Judge 1	Hearing Order	5	5
EB 1	Cox Affidavit	7	7

Start Time: 9:32 a.m. End Time: 9:39 a.m.

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(9:32 a.m.)

3 ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: We're on the record now. This is a pre-hearing conference in 4 5 EB Docket number 05-232. By Order to Show Cause, DA 05-2015, released September 29, 2005, this case was 6 7 designated for hearing on issues which seek to 8 determine the effect of David Edward Cox' felony 9 convictions on his qualifications to be and to remain 10 a commission licensee, and to determine whether Mr. Cox' amateur radio license should be revoked. 11 order, FCC 05M-46, released October 5th, 2005, the 12 Chief Administrative Law Judge appointed me to preside 13 14 over this proceeding and scheduled a pre-hearing conference for this morning. And let me first take 15 the appearances of the parties for Edward David Cox. 16 Let the record reflect, no response. And for the 17

MS. LANCASTER: Judy Lancaster.

ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay. On October  $6^{\rm th}$ , 2005, the Office of Administrative Law Judges mailed to Mr. Cox by certified mail - return

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Chief Enforcement Bureau.

1	receipt requested, the September 29th Order to Show
2	Cause and the October 5th order setting the date for
3	this conference. Copies were mailed to both addresses
4	specified in Paragraph 10 of the Order to Show Cause.
5	The Office of Administrative Law Judges has received
6	the return receipts from both of these mailings, and
7	the return receipts establish that both mailings were
8	received on October 11th, 2005. And at this time, I'd
9	like to identify as Judge's Exhibit 1 a two-page
10	document which shows the certified mail receipts. And
11	I have provided the reporter with two copies of the
12	document. And I'd like to at this time, without
13	objection, Ms. Lancaster, I presume.
14	MS. LANCASTER: Yes, sir.
15	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: Receive
16	Judge's Exhibit 1.
17	(Whereupon, Judge's Exhibit 1
18	was marked and received.)
19	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: Now I
20	understand, Ms. Lancaster, you also have return
21	receipts and an affidavit that you would like to talk
22	about.

1 MS. LANCASTER: Yes, sir. The 2 Investigations and Hearings Division also sent Mr. Cox 3 by certified mail a copy of the order to show cause, 4 a copy was sent to his home address, and also a copy 5 was sent to Catahoula Correctional Center, which is 6 the prison in which he is currently incarcerated. 7 have return receipts from his home address signed by 8 Ruby Cox, and from Catahoula Correctional Facility, a 9 return receipt signed by Emmett Booker. Mr. Booker is 10 evidently the office manager at Catahoula Correctional 11 Center, and I've talked to him and asked him also --12 he's also a notary, asked him to obtain the affidavit 13 of Mr. Cox verifying that Mr. Cox did receive a copy 14 of the Order to Show Cause. 15 I faxed the affidavit language to Mr. 16 Booker. He presented it to Mr. Cox. Mr. Cox signed 17 it, and Mr. Booker notarized it. In the affidavit, Mr. Cox acknowledges that on or about October the 6th, 18 19 2005, he received a copy of the Order to Show Cause in

ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: You don't have to write on the fax copy.

this case, and I would like to --

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1	MS. LANCASTER: Okay.
2	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: The
3	original is in transit. And you've got a fax, a
4	facsimile copy that's been signed by Mr. Cox.
5	MS. LANCASTER: Yes, sir.
6	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: And the
7	original is in transit.
8	MS. LANCASTER: My understanding is, I
9	talked to the mailroom today in Maryland, the FCC
10	mailroom. It is there. It should be delivered to me
11	this afternoon or early tomorrow morning, at which
12	time I will be happy to bring it to your office and
13	have it incorporated into the record, if that's
14	acceptable.
15	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: Okay.
16	Yes, why don't we mark the it's one-page. Is it an
17	affidavit or declaration? Affidavit.
18	MS. LANCASTER: It's an affidavit, a one-
19	page affidavit.
20	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: And we'll
21	mark that for identification as Enforcement Bureau
22	Exhibit 1, and I will receive it at this time into

1	evidence.
2	(Whereupon, Enforcement Bureau
3	Exhibit No. 1 was marked and
4	received.)
5	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: And then
6	the reporter - we don't have the original. When you
7	get the original, just make a couple of copies, bring
8	it to my office and we'll take care of marking it and
9	forwarding it, whatever we have to do.
10	MS. LANCASTER: Your Honor, would you also
11	like to have the return receipts that we received put
12	into evidence?
13	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: I think
14	the affidavit is fine.
15	MS. LANCASTER: Okay.
16	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: But you
17	keep hold of them.
18	MS. LANCASTER: I certainly will.
19	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: Did I
20	receive that? I think I did. If I didn't say I
21	received it, then I receive Enforcement Bureau Exhibit
22	1. And then whenever you have it, just bring it. You
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keep the original in your files, because originals seem to get lost around here. And if there's ever any question, I'd rather have a real person rather than a file room having the original.

Okay. Section 1.91(c) of the Commission's rules, and Paragraph 7 of the Order to Show Cause, required Mr. Cox to file a written appearance stating that he will appear at the hearing and present evidence on the specified issues. Pursuant to Paragraph 7 of the Order to Show Cause, the written appearance was required to be filed within 30 days of the release of the Order to Show Cause. Since the Order to Show Cause are since the Order to Show Cause was released on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005, the Notice of Appearance was due to be filed on or before October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005. However, since October 29<sup>th</sup> fell on a Saturday, the due date was October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Section 1.92(a)1 of the Commission's rules, as well as Paragraph 8 of the Order to Show Cause provides that under the circumstances presented here, a failure to file the requisite notice of appearance constitutes a waiver of the right to a

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1	hearing. Consequently, pursuant to Section 1.92(c) of
2	the rules, and Paragraph 8 of the Order to Show Cause,
3	the presiding judge will issue an order reciting the
4	events and circumstances constituting a waiver of the
5	hearing, terminating the hearing proceeding, and
6	certifying the case to the Commission.
7	Do you have any comments, Ms. Lancaster?
8	Anything you want to add?
9	MS. LANCASTER: No, sir. I would ask that
10	you do that with all speed.
11	ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE STEINBERG: I'll do
12	it in the speed in which I've been accustomed to
13	working. And let the record reflect laughter. Okay.
14	We'll go off the record right now, and hopefully we'll
15	never have to go back on the record. Thank you.
16	(Whereupon, the proceedings went off the
17	record at 9:39 a.m.)
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